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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

***AN ACT CONCERNING OUT-OF-POCKET EXPENSES FOR
NONPREFERRED BRAND NAME DRUGS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2012*) No insurer, fraternal
2 benefit society, hospital service corporation, medical service
3 corporation, health care center or other entity that delivers, issues for
4 delivery, renews, amends or continues in this state an individual
5 health insurance policy that provides coverage for prescription drugs
6 shall impose a coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-
7 pocket expense for nonpreferred brand name drugs that places a
8 greater financial burden on an insured than for preferred brand name
9 drugs.

10 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective January 1, 2012*) No insurer, fraternal benefit
11 society, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation,
12 health care center or other entity that delivers, issues for delivery,
13 renews, amends or continues in this state a group health insurance
14 policy that provides coverage for prescription drugs shall impose a
15 coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for
16 nonpreferred brand name drugs that places a greater financial burden

17 on an insured than for preferred brand name drugs.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>January 1, 2012</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>January 1, 2012</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To prohibit insurers from imposing a greater coinsurance, copayment, deductible or other out-of-pocket expense for nonpreferred brand name drugs than for preferred brand name drugs.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]